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May 28th, 1920

Roscoe L. Dunn, Esq.
Librarian, Museum of Fine Arts
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Roscoe:

I was glad to have your letter of May 25th , and I enclose a carbon of the letter which I have sent to Mr. Huntington. The communication took this form because it seemed unlikely that I should see Mr. Huntington personally for some time. If he wants to question me further about it, he will indicate that fact. I will let you know of any developments that may take place, but I should caution you against expecting very quick action. Of course, it is possible that the result will be entirely negative, but I trust you will feel that I have acted wisely under the circumstances.

I am glad that you had a pleasant vacation.

Very sincerely yours,

SPM/VHH

Secretary

June 2nd,.1920

Roscoe L.Dunn, Esq.
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Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Dunn:

I am enclosing, herewith, copy of a letter just received from Mr. Huntington. I am, of course, unable to decide for you but I cannot see that anything would be lost by your coming to New York to see Mr. Huntington. I think it might be well, should your decision be affirmative, for you to write to him saying that I had written you that there was the possibility of an opening at the Hispanic Society, and that you would be very glad if he would indicate when it would be convenient for him to have you call, laying before him your qualifications.

I should like to see you after you have had your appointment with Mr. Huntington.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

SPH/VEF

June 10th, 1920

Roscoe L. Dunn, Esq.
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Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Dunn:

I have delayed in answering your letter in order that you might formulate your own decision before you received any further word from me. As you will understand, I do not wish to urge action on your part. I do feel, however, that you should be put in possession of any information which I might have which would make your decision easier.

While the copy of the letter I sent you made plain the qualifications desirable for the Head Librarian, I am frankly of the opinion that such a person has not yet appeared on the horizon.

Whether you are aware of it or not, librarians with a command of Spanish are few and far between. And if you are willing to consider an appointment less than the Head Librarianship, the most you would lose would be your time and the cost of a trip to New York.

I understand, however, that Mr. Huntington expects to be here during the summer, and if your plans of going to the West Indies have not changed, the matter might possibly wait until after then although quick and decisive action is admired from that quarter. If you decide not to wait until July, I shall be very glad to have you come and stay over-night with me after you have arranged your appointment..

With cordial regards, believe me
Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

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